## Indian Society of Blood Transfusion and Immunohaematology

Minutes of Governing Body Meeting 9th April 2011

Meeting of Governing Body of Indian Society of Blood Transfusion and Immunohaematology was held on 9th April 2011 from 11.30AM onwards at Haryana State Guest House, Chanakyapuri, NewDelhi.The meeting was attended by the following;

DrYudhbir Singh	President
DrKabitaChatterjee	Deputy President
DrNeelamMarwaha	Secretary General
Dr P K Paliwal	Treasurer
Dr N Choudhury	Editor, AJTS
DrVedBeniwal	Chairperson, Haryana State Chapter
DrKulbirKaur	Chairperson, Punjab State Chapter
DrSusheelaKamath	Chairperson, Tamilnadu State Chapter
Dr T R Raina	Chairperson, J &K State Chapter
DrYazdi Italia	Chairperson, Gujarat State Chapter
DrSangeeta Gupta	Chairperson, U P State Chapter
DrMausami Swami	Chairperson, Delhi State Chapter
DrSangeetaPathak	Secretary, Delhi State Chapter
DrAseemTiwari	Chairperson, Uttarakhand State Chapter.

Regrets to attend the meeting were received from Dr V P Gupta, Dr K C Usha, DrManishaSrivastava and DrShyamalaSesikaran.

DrYudhbir Singh welcomed all the members and thanked them for sparing their valuable time to attend the meeting. He apprised the members of the amendment in the ISBTI constitution regarding the election process which was approved at the AGM held in Hyderabad on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2010. The members read through the minutes of the AGM and approved the same. The following issues concerning the election process were discussed.

1.Nomination of Returning Officer.

DrYazdi Italia presented Gujarat State Chapters offer to conduct the elections. DrChoudhury read out email from DrWani regarding the same offer from Maharashtra State Chapter. After deliberations it was agreed upon by the members that the elections to the National Body should not be conducted by State Chapters.

Dr P K Paliwal was nominated as the Returning Officer.

2.Posts for which elections are to be held

## President (one)

Deputy President(two;medical and motivational)

Secretary General(one)

Treasurer(one)

Editor(one)

(The term of present Editor, AJTS is upto December 2012. It was discussed and agreed upon that election for the post of Editor would be done along with other posts as it would be difficult to hold election for one post next year. However, the present Editor would continue and handover charge to the new Editor only on December 2012.)

DrChoudhury and Dr Italia demanded that the voters list as per November 2009 election should be declared valid. HoweverDrVedBeniwal pointed out that applications for ISBTI membership from Haryana were pending approval since 2007 despite payment of membership fees and these had been approved only in 2010. Dr KulbirKaur endorsed the same views from Punjab Chapter. DrSusheelaKamath conveyed the opinion of potential members of Tamilnadu State Chapter who felt that voting rights should come alongwith acceptance of membership. Granting membership without voting rights was having a negative impact on membership drive. Reference was made to clause 9B(ix) of the Constitution, butDrNeelamMarwaha pointed out that the clause was valid only if elections were held at the AGM, however now the procedure has been amended. After much discussion and deliberation amongst the members and keeping in view the common objective of proceeding with the elections ,DrYudhbir Singh opined that we should abide by the decisions taken at the AGM and that the voters list would be inclusive of all members accepted upto and within 15 days of the AGM held in Hyderabad on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2010.

**3.Election Schedule** 

It was decided that the election process would get completed by 15<sup>th</sup> September 2011.Dr P K Paliwal would work out the detailed schedule.

4. Any other item with permission from chair

The issue of membership fee was raised. DrYudhbir Singh confirmed that presently it is Rs.500/ only as per constitution.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.

DrNeelamMarwaha,

Secretary-General ,ISBTI